

SEEK FOR A RATIO

Bill for a Joint Committee to Solve the Monetary Problem.

SCOPE OF THE INVESTIGATION

Peffer Wants Coinage at 16 to 1—Says Opposed the Repeal Bill and Criticized Senator Sherman.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—After some routine business Mr. Voorhees offered a resolution that on Thursday and until further orders the daily hour of the meeting shall be 11 a. m. He asked that it be on the table and said that he would call it up tomorrow.

Mr. Faulkner gave notice that he would submit some amendments on the repeal bill next Friday.

Mr. Morgan introduced a current resolution for the appointment of a joint committee of the two houses, seven senators and seven representatives. They together are to constitute a joint select committee on finance. The chairman is to be chosen by the committee by ballot. It is to hold its sessions in the capitol or in such other place as the majority may direct with power to hear witnesses and to employ stenographers. Eleven members are to constitute a quorum to do business. The committee is to examine into the financial and monetary condition of the government and the people of the United States.

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The committee is to examine into subjects and to report upon them; the full or partial demonetization of legal tender silver coins and any ratio which should be established between the gold coins; the revision of laws relating to legal tender so as to prevent unjust discrimination in the several kinds of money; the repeal of the 10 per cent tax on the issue of state banks; the actual causes of the present depressed condition of the people and of the national banks and what further legislation is necessary to prevent national banks from abusing their powers under the law. The joint committee may appoint sub-committees of not less than four members to conduct the investigation which may sit in any place in the United States and take testimony. The resolution was at Mr. Morgan's request laid on the table, to be called up by him later.

The resolution offered yesterday by Mr. Allen, calling on the secretary of the treasury for information as to the redemption of silver certificates in coin, was taken up and referred to the committee on finance, as was also a joint resolution introduced by Mr. Cockerill on the twenty-first of August for the issue of additional gold certificates.

Mr. Peffer then introduced a speech began yesterday in support of his amendment for the free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver at the ratio of 16 to 1.

STEWART OPPOSES REPEAL

Mr. Stewart addressed the senate in opposition to the repeal bill. He began his speech with a history of the closing of the European and American mints to the free and unlimited coinage of silver, of the conference held at Paris to consider the unification of coins, weights and measure, and at which conference the United States was represented by Samuel B. Ruggles. He intimated that Mr. Sherman's vote against the bill was because he knew it could pass and wanted to conceal from the public a knowledge of the fact that it omitted the silver dollar from the list of coins. He claimed to have shown that the leading members of the two houses who were present during the consideration of the bill were ignorant of the fact that the silver dollar was omitted in the codification of the mint laws. The senate and country, he said, had to judge whether a fair opportunity had been afforded the members of the two houses to know of the omission of the silver dollar from the list of coins. No reference had been made in the debate either to the gold standard or to the omission of the silver dollar from the list.

NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PARTIES

Mr. Stewart declared that he saw no difference in the position of the two great parties and could trust neither. The bankers' party, he said, had been inaugurated to force currency on the states silver. The cooperation of Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Cleveland was to degrade silver, the former by suspending coinage in India and the latter by refusing to obey the mandatory law to purchase \$4,000,000 of gold. The machinations of the bankers and of the bondholders had created dire distress in the country. The immediate duty of the hour was to relieve that distress. There was an honest remedy, and there was a dishonest remedy. The honest remedy was to restore silver; or if that could not be done, to utilize the silver in the treasury by issuing silver certificates on it, and by issuing enough greenbacks to relieve the distress. The dishonest remedy was to use the silver to buy the income tax act of 1873 and to fasten the gold standard upon the country. Without concluding his speech the senate at 3:45 proceeded to executive business and at 4:40 adjourned until tomorrow at noon.

POPULISTS PUT UP A TICKET

Resolutions on Financial and Pension Questions Adopted.

DES MOINES, Iowa, Sept. 5.—The populist state convention was called to order in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium at 9 o'clock today by Chairman R. C. Scott of the state central committee, about 300 delegates being in attendance.

A. J. Westfall of Sioux City was made permanent chairman. The gathering, which was extremely harmonious, took place in a hall, and was presided over by the following ticket: Governor, J. M. Joseph of Clinton; lieutenant, E. A. Hoyt of Des Moines; supreme judge, A. W. Weeks of Waterloo; railroad commissioner, J. A. Gray of Muscatine; state superintendent of schools, Mrs. Wilshire of Marshalltown. The platform, which was presented by General J. B. Weaver, chairman of the committee, and adopted, intimated the declaration of the party at the Omaha National convention; asserts that there are only two parties, the people's party and the gold party; condemns the republicans and the democrats for their subservience to the moneyed oligarchy of Europe and has the following to say of the present financial situation:—

"The twenty years the people of the United States have endured in the area of conventions and in all platforms the repeal of the law of 1873 demonst-

ONCE MORE IN LINE

Annual Parade of 20,000 Boys in Blue in Indianapolis.

COLORED VETERANS MARCHED

Many War-Scarred Veterans Dropped Out of Line—Camp Fire and Reunion Second Day.

INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 5.—Very much of a fiasco, it is the candid style in which Grand Marshal General J. B. Carnahan referred this evening to the twenty-seventh national parade of the veterans of the war. A hundred and fifty thousand worn out, disappointed spectators for the great majority of whom the parade was the attraction that had served as a magnet to draw them to the city, agreed with the man who as major general of the United States army was the first to have acquired a national reputation for his ability in handling large bodies of men. What might have been a creditable, compact procession that could have reached and passed the reviewing stand in a couple of hours was so drawn out that those who started immediately after breakfast for the point from which they were to fall into line were still on the march when the closing column of the parade was ordered to march. For this condition of affairs the comrades themselves were solely responsible. Twenty thousand would be a liberal estimate of the number of men that passed the reviewing stand. Departments that promised to send a thousand men turned up with 300, and a department that was relied upon for 400 had by actual count a trifle over 500. Some of the detachments that should have formed dropped out entirely. As a result of these conditions delays in the parade were numerous. One hundred for the hour and a quarter and the bulk of the spectators on the streets assuming that for good and sufficient reasons a portion of the program had been abandoned broke down the wire cables that were stretched along the sidewalks and took possession of the roadways as a promenade or means of reaching their homes without running a blockade. As a result when the belated division appeared it was compelled to halt from block to block while the police and special officers cleared a pathway.

DECREASE THE CURRENCY

Representative Coochle Has an Amendment Prepared on This Subject.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—Representative Coochle of New York is the author of a lengthy amendment to the national bank act which authorizes the secretary of the treasury to issue circulating notes to national banks upon the following securities deposited with him to the amounts named: On United States bonds, 100 per cent; on state, railway and municipal bonds of at least par market value, on which interest has not defaulted for ten years, 10 per cent; on first mortgage loans, guaranteed by corporations, \$100,000 capital, 75 per cent; on certificates of deposit of gold and silver coin or bullion in the treasury or mints, 100 per cent; on warehouse receipts of pigiron, cotton and wheat issued by companies with a paid-up capital of \$500,000, 75 per cent.

EFFORT OF HIS LIFE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—Senator Palmer intends to make the joint resolution recently introduced by him looking toward the election of United States senators by the people the fight of his senatorial life. He may not be successful in securing the passage of his resolution, but he will not be for lack of effort. He has talked with his colleagues concerning the question, and he feels sure of the earnest and enthusiastic working support of from twelve to fifteen senators.

TENDERED TO GEN. McMAHON

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—Gen. Martin McMahon arrived here last night in answer to a telegram from Col. Lamont. As soon as he arrived he went to the war secretary's rooms and remained docketed with him until midnight. The object of the visit is supposed to be the delivery of the assistant secretaryship of war, but it is doubtful whether the New Yorker will take it. Gen. McMahon refuses to commit himself on the subject.

WILL GO IT ALONE

DES MOINES, Iowa, Sept. 5.—The republicans who deem prohibition the best means of restoring the republic to the people of Iowa held a state convention today and parted company with the regular republican organization of the remainder of this campaign by nominating a candidate for governor and repudiating the liquor plank adopted at the August convention.

NOMINATED A CANDIDATE

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 5.—After being in almost continuous session since 3 o'clock this afternoon the independent state convention near the midnight hour nominated District Judge Silas B. Holcomb of Broken Bow, Col., county, as associate justice of the supreme court. The convention was marked by much enthusiasm and not a little confusion.

FLOOD OF BILLS READY

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—In anticipation of the adoption of the rules, senators have already filed 32 bills. Among these are bills of previous congresses to repeal the federal election laws, to repay to the states the cotton tax and to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy.

LILLIAN DENIES IT

NEW YORK, Sept. 5.—Lawyer Hummel said today that Lillian Russell, well-dated Chicago, indignantly denying the published statements connecting her with a reported trip to London with Howell Osborne. In her letter Miss Russell declares that she has no notion of going to Europe, but will come here and devote all her attention to the Casino, which she has leased.

FREIGHT AGENT DEAD

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Sept. 5.—John T. R. McKay, general freight agent of the Lake Shore and one of the best known freight men in the United States, died this evening of paralysis of the heart after a lingering illness, aged 55 years. He had entered the railway service in 1874 and has remained in the business ever since.

FARMERS FEELING STOCK

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—The weekly crop report of the weather bureau for Michigan says: Light showers improved the condition of soil on low grounds; plowing for wheat made difficult by lack of moisture; considerable corn cut; many farmers feeling stock.

WORLD'S FAIR NOTES

The Pennsylvania commissioners have decided to give the state building to the city after the exposition. The building is well built and cost \$85,000.

COLORED DAY HAS BEEN SET

September 12, one week earlier than had been planned. Governor White is now in the city.

REAR ADMIRAL J. ANTONIO CORDELL

Maurice, president of the Brazilian commission of the world's fair, is in Chicago.

THE INDIANA STATE WORLD'S FAIR

Commission has finally decided on September 22 as Indiana day at the fair.

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